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Dear Ms. Focarino,

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I had sent a letter to you by fax, dated June 7, 2012 (copy enclosed as well as transmission confirmation), regarding a Certificate of Correction that I had sent to your office along with a letter dated March 14, 2011. To date I have received no response.

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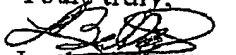
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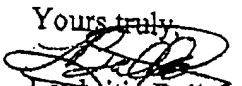
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As you can understand, we are very worried about our private home address being on the web and the problems that can arise. On behalf of all the inventors, I would really appreciate your help to correct this error that your office has made and to delete our address from your website on an expedited basis.

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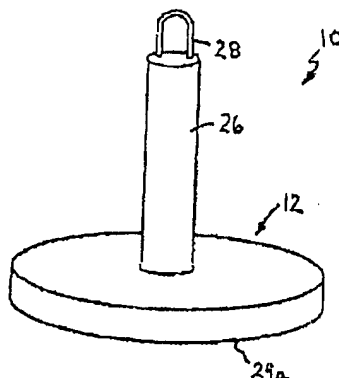
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(57) **ABSTRACT**

A press for making a patty includes a substantially flat panel in contact with the product to be pressed into a patty. An upwardly movable member is utilized in the panel. A weight member in "contact" surrounds the upwardly movable member. The weight member is movable along the upwardly movable member between a first position where the weight member covers the panel to facilitate the application of force to the product and a second position where the weight member is spaced from the panel.

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United States Patent 6997697

A press for making a patty includes a substantially flat panel to contact the product to be pressed into a patty. An upstanding member is affixed to the panel. A weight member or "mould" surrounds the upstanding member. The weight member is moveable along the upstanding member between a first position where the weight member overlies the panel to facilitate the application of force to the product and a second position where the weight member is spaced from the panel.

US Patent References:

Device and method for compacting, forming and separating material

Klefbeck - August, 1997 - 5658608

Method and apparatus for making ground meat patties

Swearingen - May, 1992 - 5112634

Patty-forming method and apparatus

Rogan - August, 1988 - 4765029

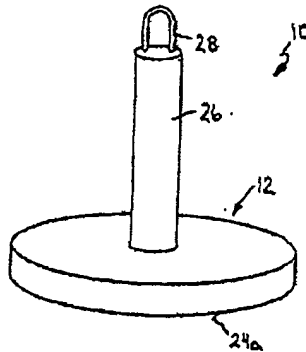
Molds for forming hamburger patties and other comestibles

Joffe - January, 1980 - 4180889

Mold for forming a hamburger patty

Fournier - August, 1978 - 4106162

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